

### REMARKS

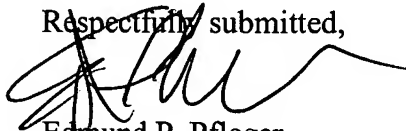
Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be entered before the examination of the present application. The claims as provided herein are believed allowable over all the art of record.

Applicant has calculated the fees based on the number of claims added in this amendment. Accordingly, please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$174.00 to cover the claim fees.

In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them (or credit any overpayment) to our deposit account No. 50-2121.

In the event the Examiner deems personal contact is necessary, please contact the undersigned attorney at (603) 668-6560.

Respectfully submitted,



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### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on October 31, 2002, at Manchester, New Hampshire.

By April Davis